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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROSECUTION  
ART UNIT 3737

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Mark R. Prausnitz, Jin Liu, and Thomas N. Lewis

Serial No.: 09/229,226

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Filed: January 12, 1999

Examiner: R. Smith

For: *ASSESSMENT AND CONTROL OF ACOUSTIC TISSUE EFFECTS*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 13, 2002, please amend the application as follows. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

Please note that telephone calls were made to the examiner the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to interview this case but the calls were not returned. If the case is still not in condition for allowance, the examiner is earnestly requested to contact the undersigned by

phone to see if an agreement can be reached.

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